GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Synthetic Medicines
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether use of synthetic medicines has increased in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether use of synthetic medicines have any adverse effect on health:

(c) if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) the details of pharma companies that regulate the manufacturing and marketing of synthetic medicines in the country, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the details of existing rules pertaining to such companies?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a) to (c): No drug is 100% safe. Therefore, all drugs are approved and allowed to be manufactured and marketed in India based on their risk-benefit analysis. Further, no data is available with Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) which suggests increased use of synthetic drugs.

(d) & (e): The quality, safety and efficacy of medicines is regulated by the CDSCO and their manufacture, sale and distribution is regulated by the State Licensing Authorities under the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940 and the Drugs & Cosmetics Rules, 1945.